

NORTH HILLS CGWA

Form No. 606 R02/2005

APPLICATION TO CHANGE A WATER RIGHT

FILING FEE: Replacement Well or Reservoir: \$100.00
 Stock Tanks: \$100.00
 All Others: \$400.00

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For Department Use Only

Application No. 30000000 Basin 41
 Date Received 12/1/06
 Time 12:01 PM
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 Fee Rec'd \$100.00
 Check No. 4242
 Refund \$ _____ Date _____

Example

1. Applicant Name: Jane DoeMailing Address: PO Box 10101City Helena State MT Zip 59614Phone Numbers: Home 442-0000

Work _____ Cell _____

Email Address: _____

2. Contact Person: ☒ Check, if same as applicant☐ Check, if contact is an attorney

Contact Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone Numbers: Home _____

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4. Affidavit

I affirm the information provided for this application is to the best of my knowledge true and correct. I also affirm I have possessory interest, or the written consent of the person with the possessory interest, in the property where the water is to be put to beneficial use.

Applicant Signature: Jane DoeDate 12/1/2006

Subscribed and sworn before me this _____ day of _____, 20____

Notary's Signature

Notary for the State of

Residing at

My commission expires

(Typed, Stamped, or Printed Name of Notary)

Required

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An applicant can provide a "best available estimate" to any element or requirement in this section. An explanation of how the estimate was derived must be included. For example, best available estimates might be based on the following: aerial photographs depicting irrigated land; aerial or other photographs showing diversion or conveyance structures; Water Resources Survey book information; Water Resources Survey field notes; water commissioner field notes; natural resources conservation service information; affidavits from persons with first-hand knowledge of historic use; calculation of historic ditch capacities; log books or diaries of previous irrigators; or other information that provides independent corroboration of the historic use that allows reasonable estimates of historic diversion and historic consumption.

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- For a change application that is only to add stock tanks to an existing stock water system, refer to ARM, 36.12.1901(14).

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- Additional correct and complete requirements are provided in ARM, 36.12.1601.

Historic Water Use

- The department must consider historical use in determining whether changing the water right would constitute an enlargement in historic use of the original water right.
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Additional historical use requirements are provided in ARM, 36.12.1903.

The Water Right Rules can be accessed on the Internet at <http://www.dnrc.state.mt.us/wrd/home.htm>.

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Example

STATE OF MONTANA
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION
1424 9TH AVENUE P.O. BOX 201601 HELENA, MONTANA 59620-1601

GENERAL ABSTRACT

Water Right Number: 411 999999-00 GROUND WATER CERTIFICATE
Version: 1 - ORIGINAL RIGHT
Version Status: ACTIVE

Owners: JANE DOE
PO BOX 10101
HELENA MT 59604

Priority Date: JULY 6, 1979 at 11:57 AM
Enforceable Priority Date: JULY 6, 1979 at 11:47 AM

Purpose (use): DOMESTIC

Maximum Flow Rate: 16.00 GPM

Maximum Volume: 1.50 AC-FT

Source:

Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

ID	Govt Lot	Qtr	Sec	Sec	Twp	Rge	County
1		NE	SW	SE 6	11N	3W	LEWIS AND CLARK

Diversion Means: WELL

Subdivision: PRAIRIE VIEW ACRES TRACT/LOT: 2

Well Depth: ~~100.00 FEET~~ 125 feet

Static Water Level: ~~73.00 FEET~~ 75 feet

Casing Diameter: 6.62 INCHES

LOCATED AT 1180 PERCY RD, HELENA MT

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 to DECEMBER 31

Purpose (Use): DOMESTIC

Households: 1

Volume: 1.50 AC-FT

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Place of Use:

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Remarks:

OWNERSHIP UPDATE RECEIVED

NOTICE OF WATER RIGHT TRANSFER RECEIVED 03/19/87.

The new well is 20 feet southeast of the old well.

NORTH HILLS CONTROLLED GROUNDWATER AREA

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I have reviewed the enclosed list of water rights within ½-mile radius of my well and the total flow rate is 1640 gpm and the total volume is 413.18 AF per year. This total includes my usage. As this is a replacement well, my usage will not increase from what was used in the past and therefore there is no increased burden on the aquifer. If there is a water shortage, I will reduce my usage to the bare minimum for the granted water uses.

2. Describe the proposed means of diversion, construction and operation of the diversion works you intend to use and provide substantial, credible information to prove the means of diversion, construction and operation are adequate.

The well was drilled December 8, 2005 by H & L Drilling, a licensed well drilling company. The well has a 6" casing to 100 feet and is grouted with bentonite. A ¾ HP submersible pump is installed, the static water level is 20 feet. The pressure tank is 20 gallons and is located in the basement. There was approximately 200 feet of new lines put in to the house using the existing pressure tank. The flow rate and volume used will remain the same as was used from the old well.

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Domestic, lawn and garden, and stock are a beneficial use of water in the State of Montana. Water from a well is the only supply of water available.

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 Mailing Address: _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Phone Numbers: Home _____ Work _____ Cell _____
 Email Address: _____
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 Contact Name: _____
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